

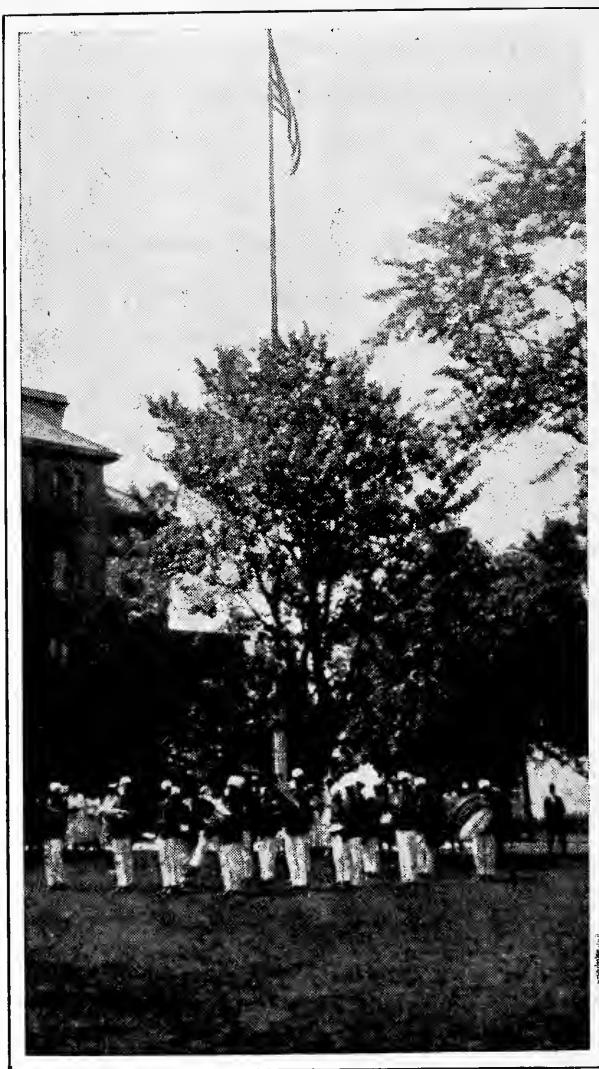
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**“I** URGE that the people continue to give generous support to their schools of all grades \*\*\* to the end that no boy or girl shall have less opportunity for education because of the war.”—*Woodrow Wilson*





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When a nation gives up its  
best youth to save its principles  
and its freedom, it is  
richer for the sacrifice.

—Armstrong

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## Extracts from Letters of Hampton Men in the Service

“**O**NE thing Hampton taught me I am proud of, and that is to obey orders. Nothing has helped me more since entering the army than the ability to obey orders with a smile even if they seem unreasonable.”

“**I**HAD planned to enter the State Normal School during its summer session. Because of my work at Hampton and here I would have been able to complete the life state-certificate course in one term. But now that the call has come for me to give my services to my country I answer with a heart full of joy that I am able to give all that I have struggled for since childhood. This experience will be three-fold—for my country, for my future work, and above all for my God.”

“**V**ERY definitely I can recall that motto of our General Armstrong hanging over Major Washington’s door. It says ‘Put God and Country first; ourselves afterwards.’ Is there anything more inspiring than those words?”

“**A**LTHOUGH I like army life very much it is strenuous. My training at Hampton has given me ability to stick, no matter what the hardships are, and I am making every effort to be a good soldier.”

“**U**PON my arrival at Camp Sherman I immediately began work as a corporal. After two weeks of this I was successful in passing the examination for entrance to an Officers’ Training School. This amounted to fifteen weeks of hard study, cramming, and concentration.

I was completely lost to the outside world. And when certificates of graduation were passed out on April 20 I was among the successful candidates. At present I am attached to the next Officers' Training School as assistant instructor. Hampton has been my making. Before the end of this world conflict I am hoping to accomplish still more. And if it be my fate to pay the price upon the battlefield, rest assured that I give my life gladly and that I remain loyal to the Stars and Stripes and to Hampton."

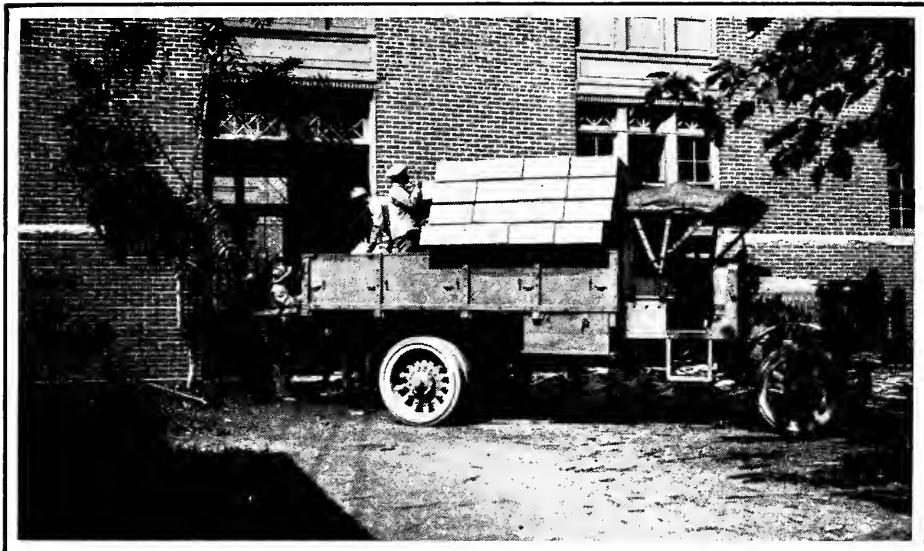
"**I**t is very pleasing to be able to tell you that the training furnished me at Hampton has proved invaluable to me in the work among the soldier boys who come to my building from reveille to taps. Without the all-round training that I received I am positive that often I should find myself handicapped in dealing with the many problems that come to me in the course of a day.

"The work varies greatly in a period of twelve hours. I have been called on for everything imaginable, from the lending of a needle to the witnessing of a will. Once I have loaned my presence to a marriage ceremony, and four Sundays ago assisted the Chaplain in the sacred duties of baptism of five young men who were leaving for 'Somewhere in France.' "

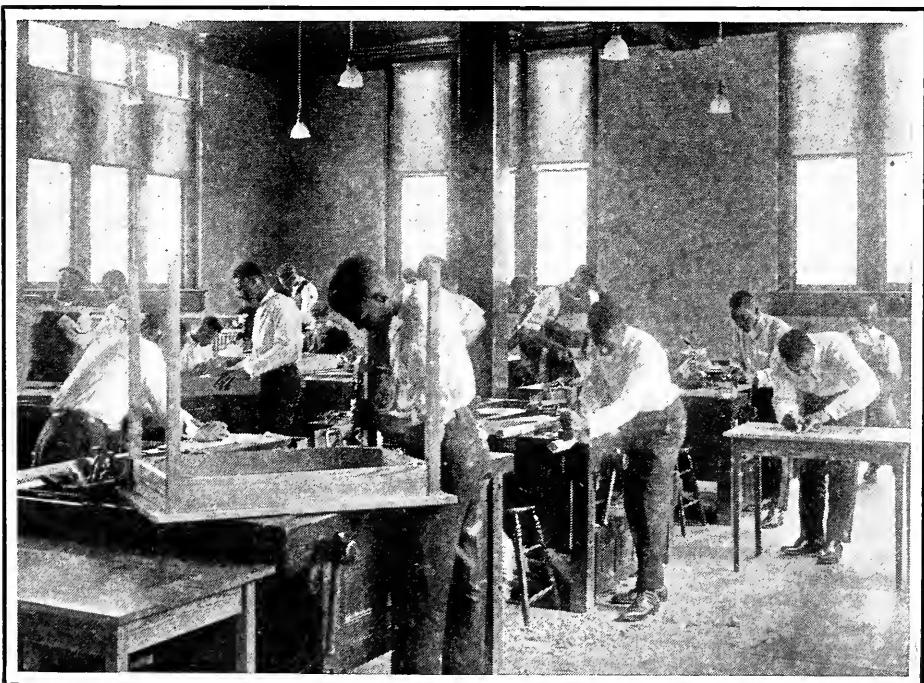
*Y. M. C. A. Secretary*

"**W**HY should I, a Negro, be willing to lay down my life in this war? This question comes on every hand. My only answer is this: This old world is going to be made better only by inches. Every inch upward is going to be won only by sacrifice. The sentiment towards the oppressed, Negro or Jew, is going to be improved only as world sentiment against oppression is strengthened.'

"**I**went to camp as a volunteer to be a saddler for the regiment. Later I was told by one of the officers who is in charge of all the shops that if my work was good I would be given a class to teach. I have at present four boys who have been sent to me for instruction. I am trying to turn out a saddler for each company before we leave for the overseas service."



SHIPPING BOOKCASES, MADE IN THE TRADE SCHOOL, TO THE  
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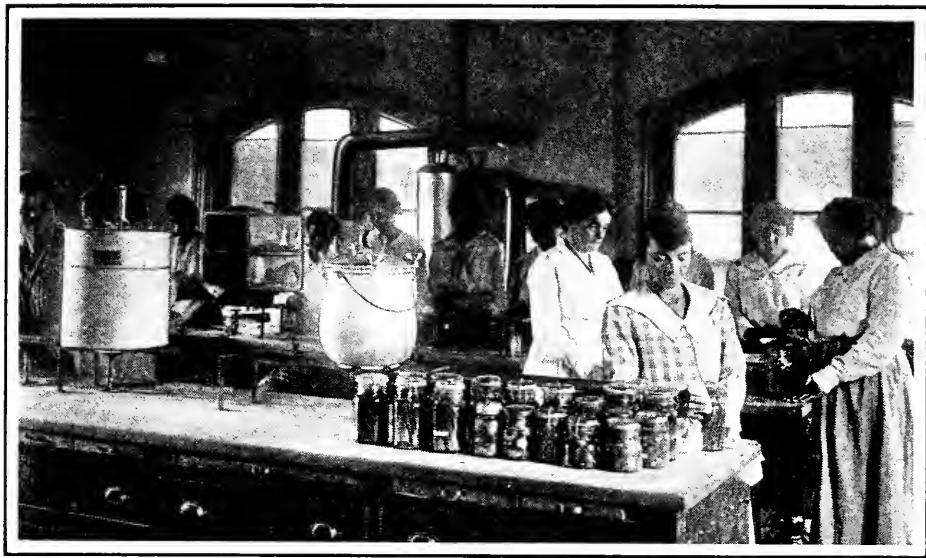
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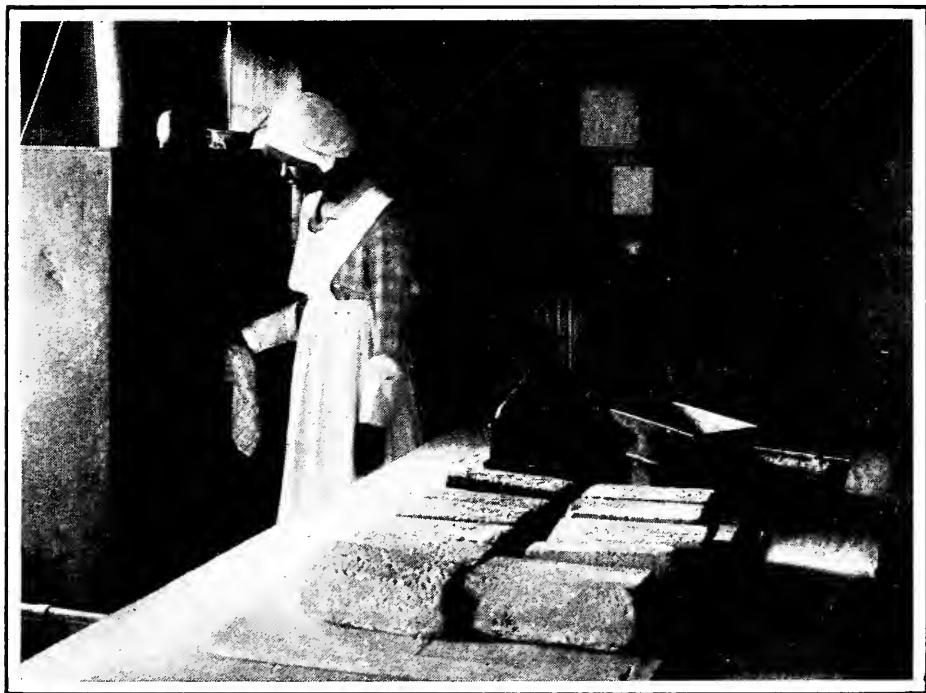
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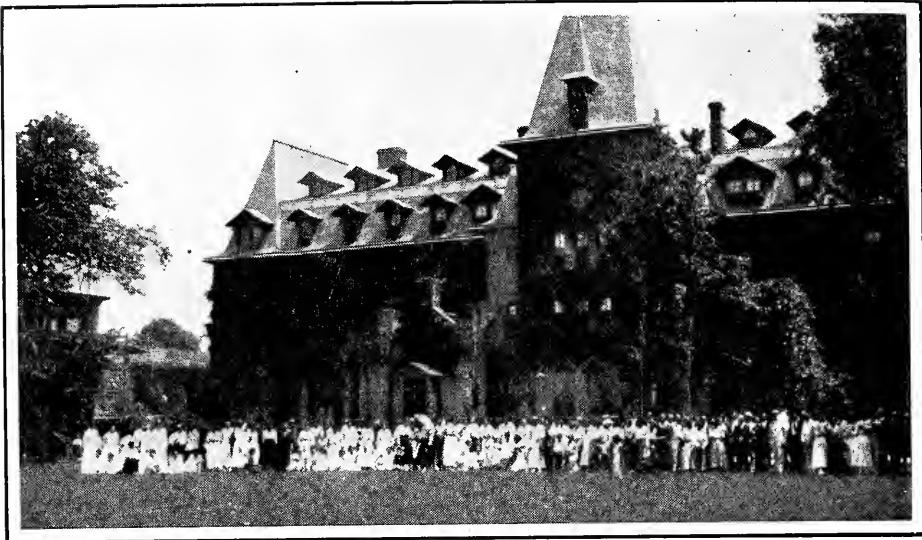
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SUMMER TEACHERS LEARNING TO CONSERVE FOOD



A HAMPTON GIRL MAKING WAR BREAD



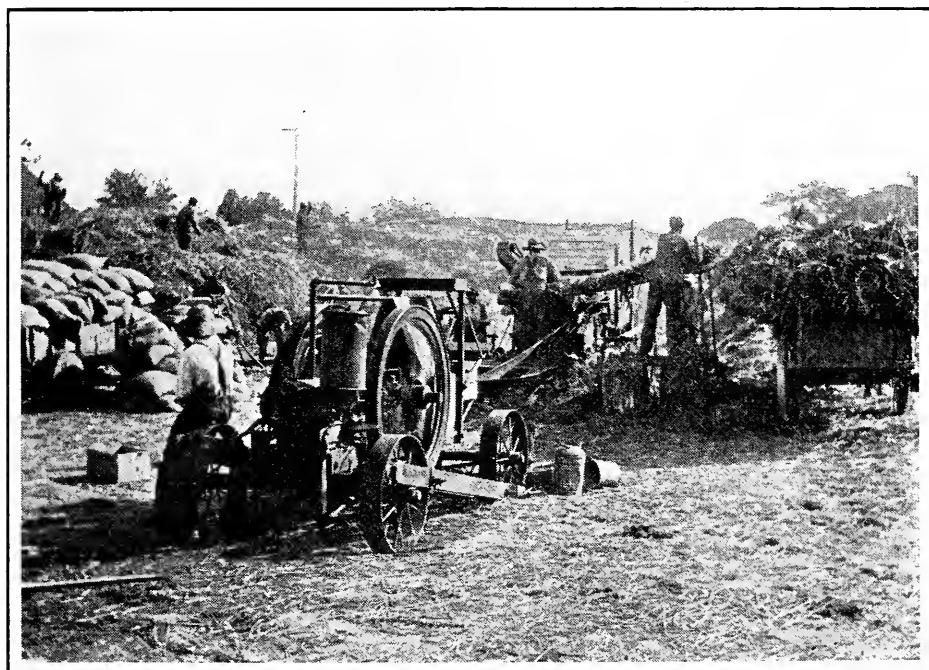
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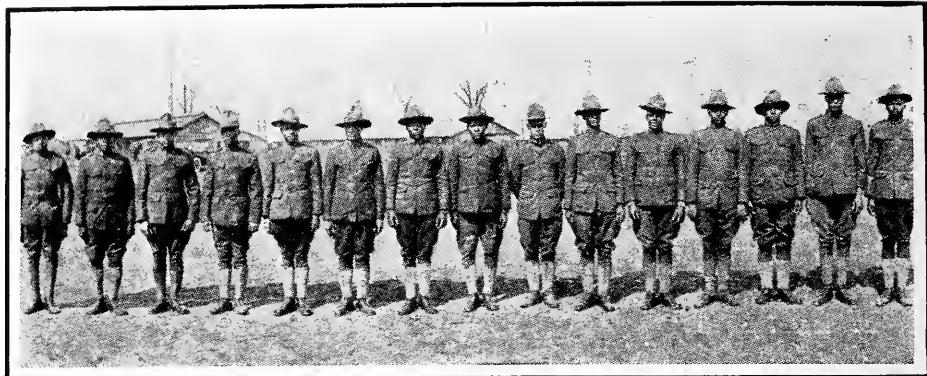
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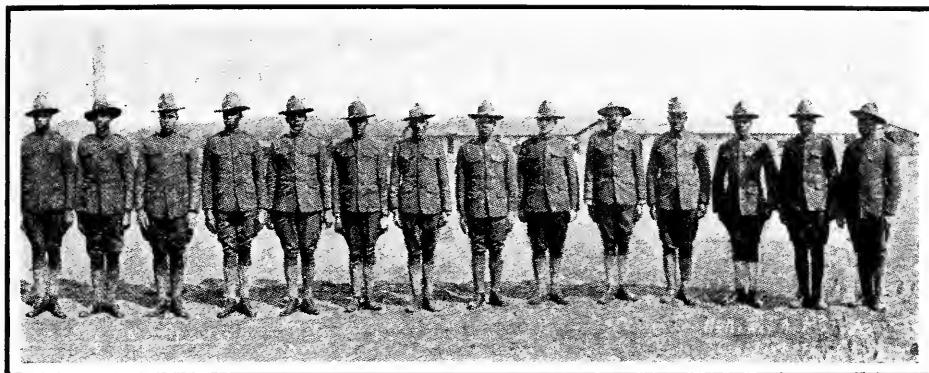
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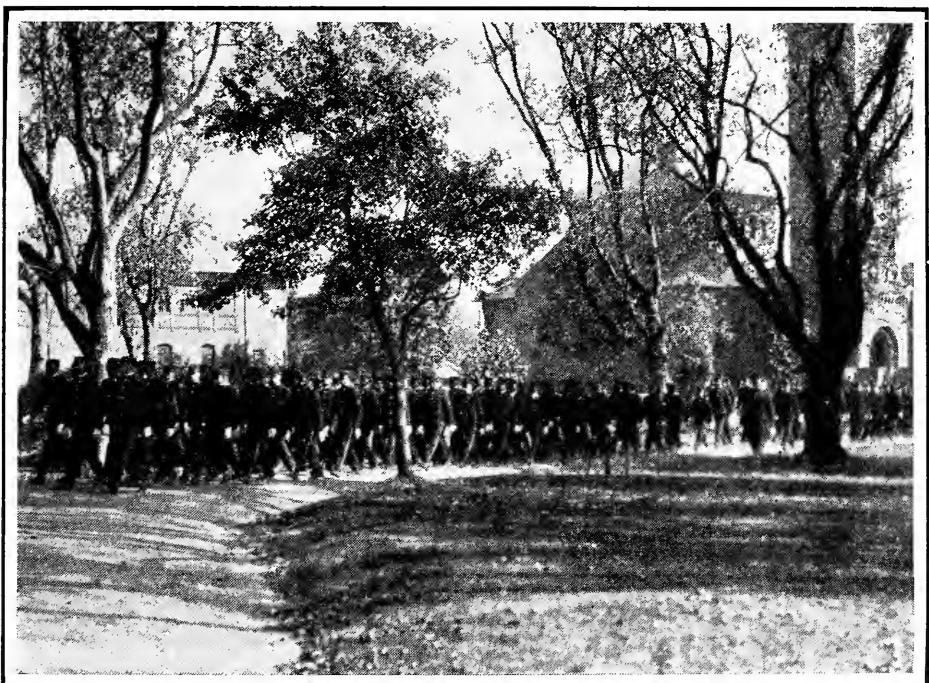
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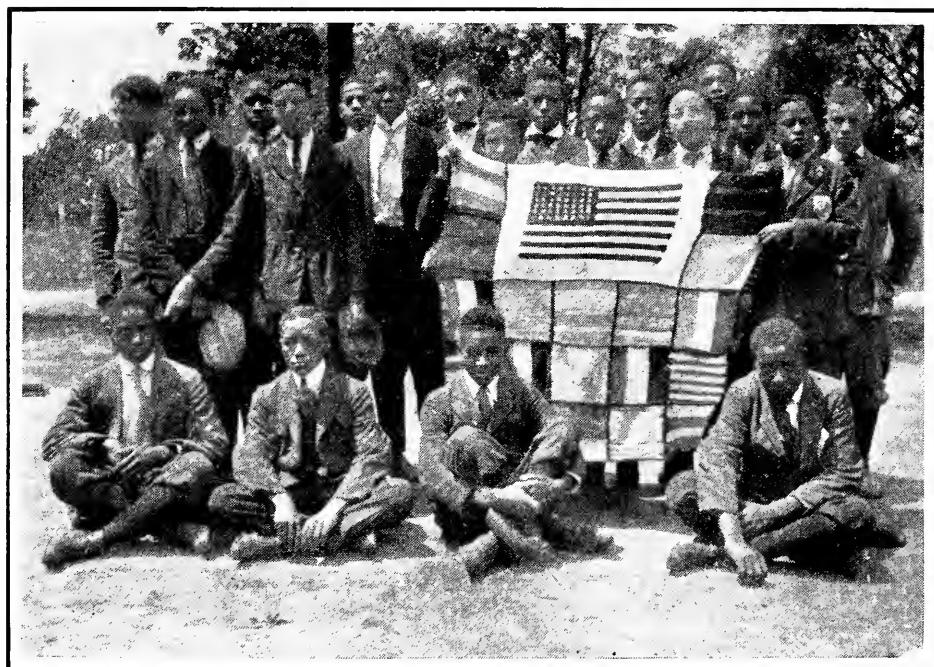
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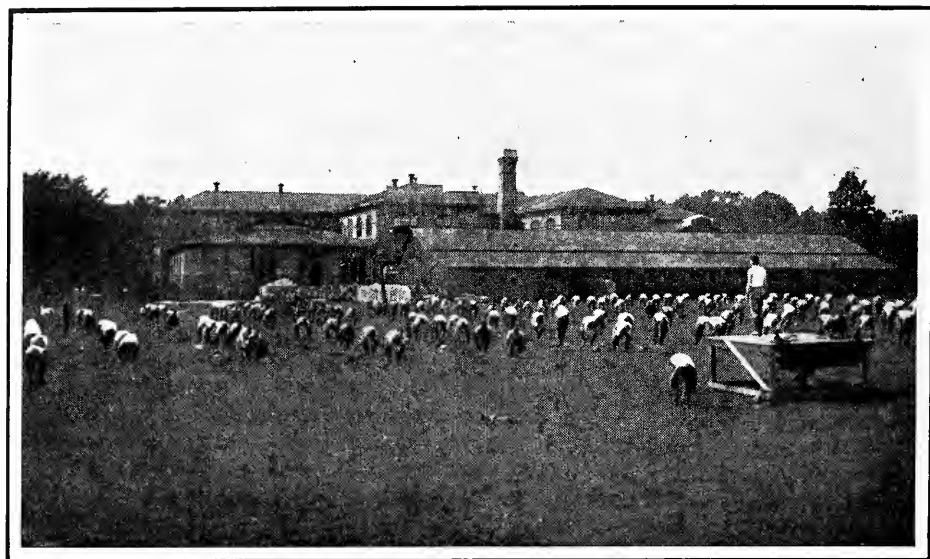
A CHILDREN'S KNITTING CLASS



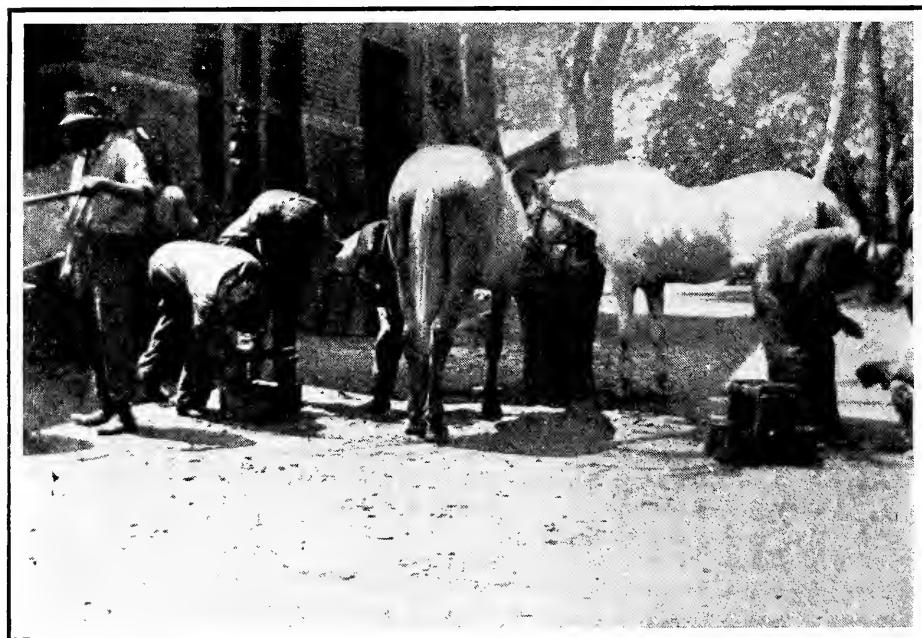
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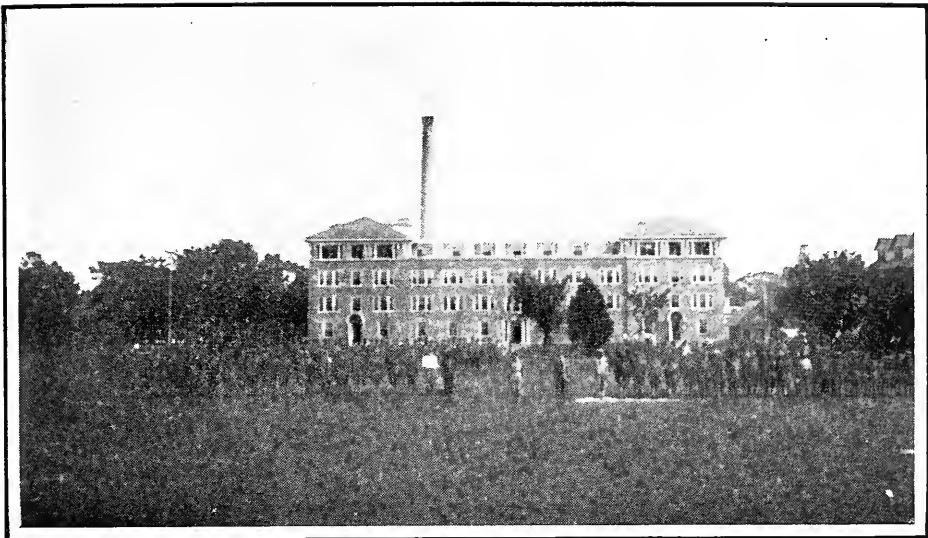
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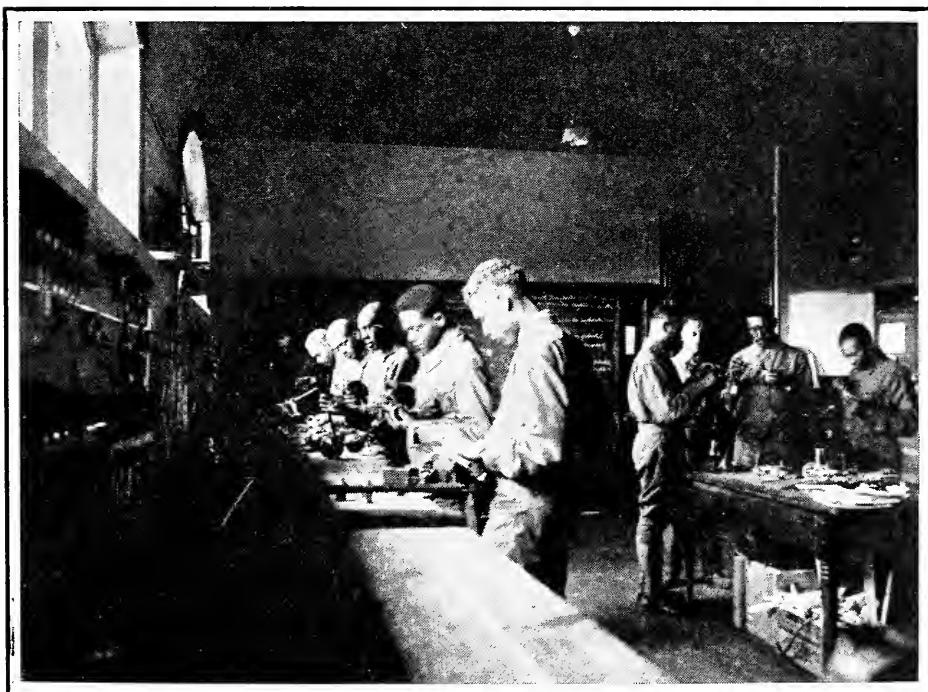
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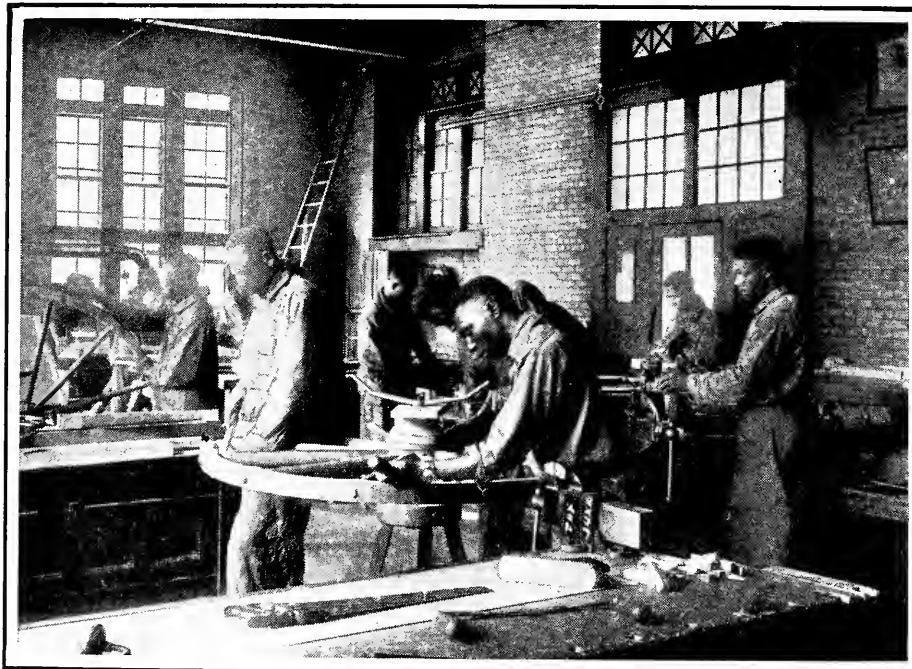
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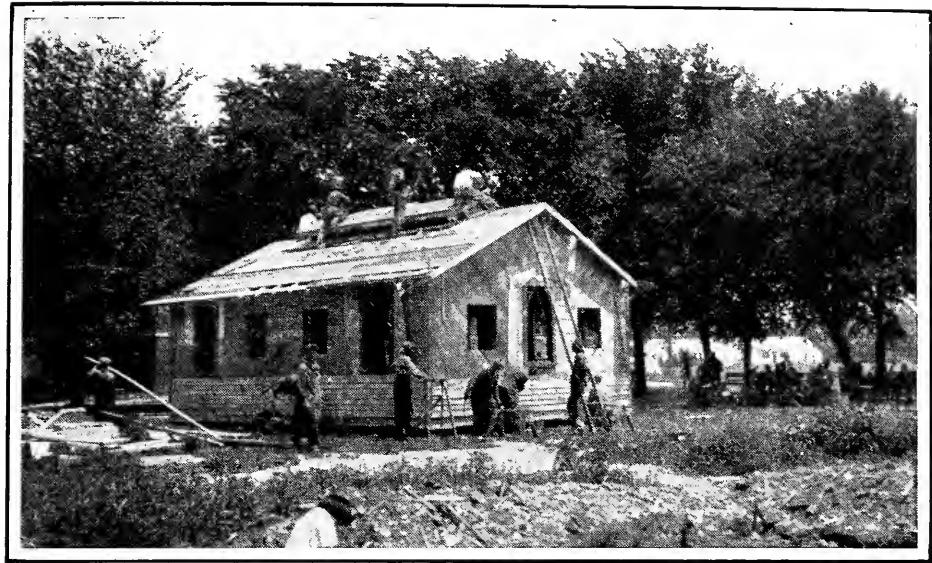
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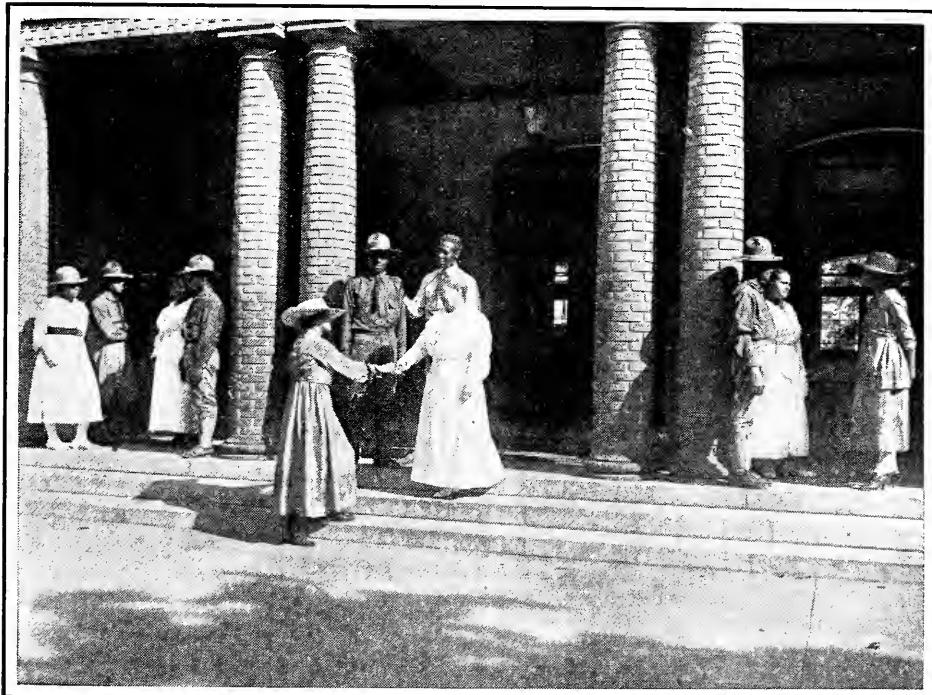
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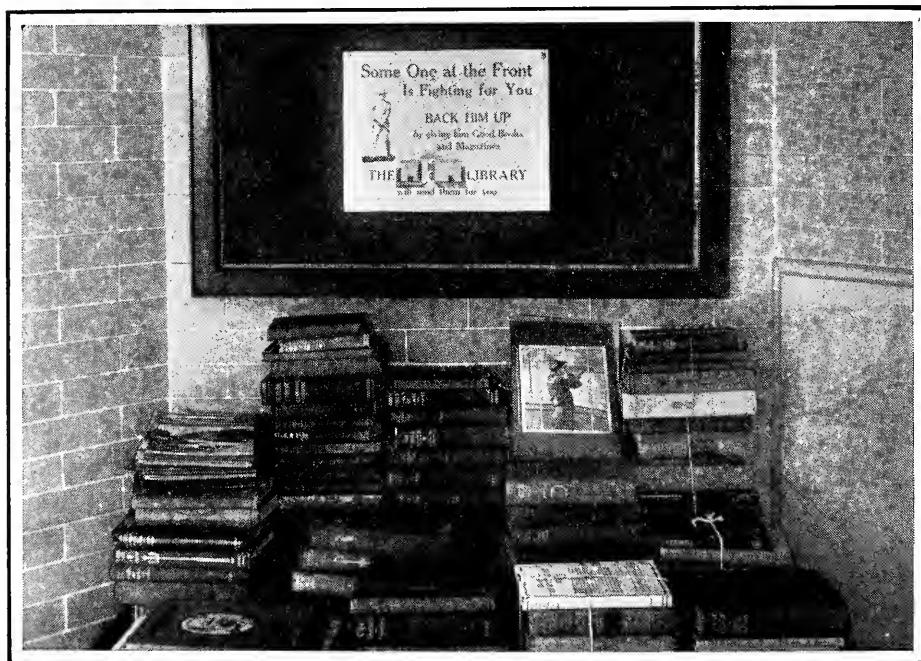
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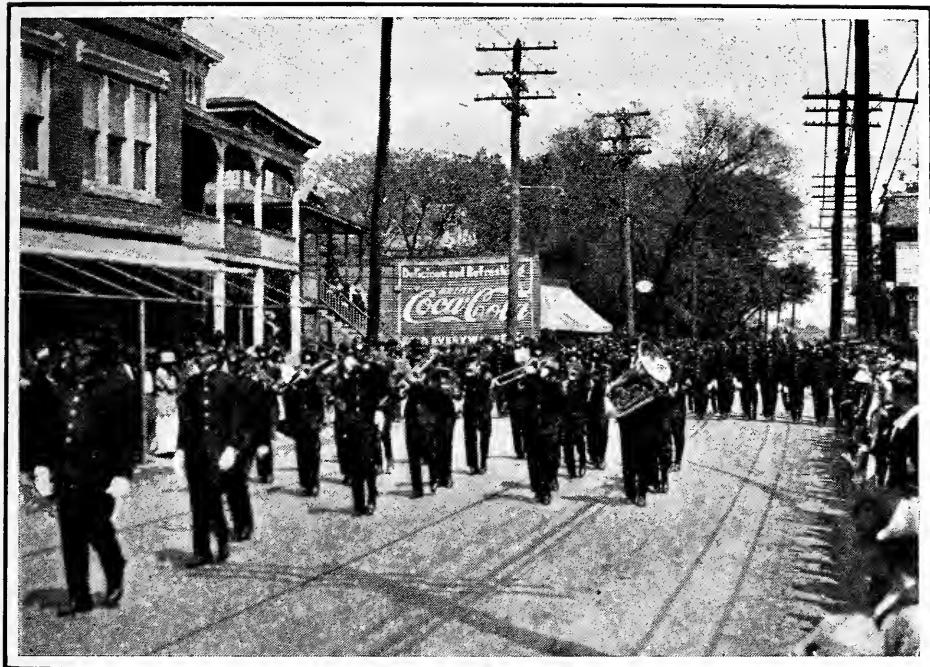
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